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TESTIMONY SUPPORTING SB No.1 FROM JOHN RUHNKE

Members of the Energy Committee:

My name is John Ruhnke. I am a Heating Contractor here in Connecticut. I am working very hard to reduce our co2 impact on the world. I have saved my clients a huge amount in fuel bills in a variety of different ways. I do it through energy efficient heating systems and alternative fuel such as Solar Thermal, Gas Absorption Heat Pumps, Mod/Con Boilers, Building Automation Controls, Geothermal and more. 97% of the climatetologists have been saying for more than a decade that the earth is warming up and man is the cause. They also claim that we are going to leave a big mess for our kids if something doesn't change.

The U.S. Academy of scientists along with their fellow organizations from around the world back up that statement in writing. This is a dire warning by our brightest minds in the world. Yet the average person argues that they don't believe it. They choose to ignore this warning. I ask that you stop following the crowd and do what is right!!!!!!!!!! I need help.

The State of Ct has had some very good incentives in energy efficiency, solar thermal, GAHP, Geothermal and more. We need to continue on this path. The state of Ct has had some of the best incentives in this country. The sad truth is that this isn't enough to save our planet. We need an increase in programs.

I have just laid off my two heating technicians because of lack from work. Granted this is the slowest time of the year for us. I have been in business for over twenty years and I have never laid anyone off ever in my first 18 years. NEVER!!!!!! I can't save our planet, if nobody is hiring us to install green heating systems. PLEASE HELP ME TO SAVE OUR PLANET!!!!!!!!!!!!!! PLEASE I NEED HELP!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The construction industry is hurting big time. Many are unemployed and companies have lost lots of money over the last couple of years.

Again, PLEASE HELP ME TO SAVE OUR PLANET!!!!!!!!!!!!!! PLEASE I NEED HELP!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

P.S. Check out my website to see many of the green projects we have been doing.

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